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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

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PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

TES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Application Branch Attention: In re Patent Application of Attv. Dkt. 620-148 AVIS et al. Serial No. 09/897,412 August 3, 2001 Filed: July 3, 2001 USE OF SECRETIN-RECEPTOR LIGANDS IN TREATMENT OF CYSTIC For: FIBROSIS (CF) AND CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE (COPD) Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 The attached completes filing of the above-identified patent application: Signed Rule 63 Declaration alone. Copy of Declaration from prior application alone, OR Signed Declaration plus attached copy of originally filed specification/drawings. NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED form. Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: Day/Month/Year Filed Country Application Number 4 July 2000 GREAT BRITAIN 0016441.8 respectively. Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____, filed ___ "Small entity" statement attached. Applicant claims "small entity" status. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee. Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Other: Fees due are calculated below: \$ 710.00 Basic filing fee \$ - 20 = 18.00 0.00 Total Effective claims 10 -3 = x \$ 80.00 \$ 80.00 Independent claims 4 0.00 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) \$ 790.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$390.00/2 months; \$890.00/3 months; \$1390.00/4 months) 0.00 \$ 130.00 Surcharge (\$130.00) if Declaration or filing fee first now submitted FIRST SUBTOTAL S 920.00 0.00 -S If "small entity," enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract SECOND SUBTOTAL \$ 920.00 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 920.00 TOTAL FEE DUE \$ Check enclosed (Pre-Bill)* \$ 920.00 Check enclosed (non Pre-Bill)* \$ TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 920.00 Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor By Atty: B. J. Sadoff, Reg. No. 36,663 Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 elephone: (703) 816-4000 acsimile: (703) 816-4100 BJS:eaw

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October 9, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 30, 2001, the applicants submit the requisite Declaration was filed August 3, 2001. A copy of the previously filed Declaration and the undersigned's cover sheet submitted with the same are attached along with the undersigned's postcard receipt as evidence the documents were received in the Patent Office on August 3, 2001. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts is also attached. The applicants note the Notice requires that the Declaration identify the application by the application number and filing date however the undersigned notes that Rule 63 merely requires that the Declaration "identify the application to which it is directed". See, 37 CFR 1.63(b)(1). The undersigned further notes that the Commissioner's Notice of July 13, 1995, which was originally printed at 1177 OG 60 (copy attached) specifies the application may be identified, within Rule 63, by naming the inventors and attorney docket number which was on the specification as

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filed. The originally filed application included the undersigned's cover sheet which identified the application by the attorney docket number "620-148" as well as the inventors Davis and Page. The Declaration submitted August 3, 2001, also identified the application by the attorney docket number 620-148 and was executed by the inventors Davis and Page. Moreover, the Declaration submitted August 3, 2001, included the title and filing date as well as the priority application for the above-identified application. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully submit the Declaration submitted August 3, 2001, identified the application, within the requirements of Rule 63, and the application number should not be required on the Declaration.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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